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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Poul Baad Rasmussen, *et al.*

Application No.: 10/609,296

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For: Interferon Beta-Like Molecules

Examiner: Seharaseyon, Jegatheesan

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION  
REQUIREMENT AND  
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction Requirement/Election dated August 15, 2006 in the above-referenced application, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendment and remarks be considered prior to examination on the merits. A petition to extend the period of time for response by five months – from September 15, 2006 to February 15, 2007 – accompanies this amendment.

- **Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper;
- **Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.